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SUBJ: RHODESIAN RAID AT FEIRA

REF: (A) LUSAKA 777, (B) STATE 63255

1. AS REPORTED REF A, FOREIGN MINISTER MWALE TOLD PRESS PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FOR UNITED NATIONS THAT ZAMBIA SUFFERED 25 CASUALTIES DURING RHODESIAN ATTACK AT FEIRA. ACCORDING TO MWALE'S PUBLIC COMMENTS, FIVE ZAMBIAN SOLDIERS WERE KILLED AND TWENTY CIVILIANS WERE WOUNDED. THESE FIGURES WERE REPEATED IN PARLIAMENT MARCH 10. THERE HAS BEEN NO OFFICIAL MENTION OF ANY CIVILIAN DEATHS.

2. EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE (REF B) TO PRESIDENT KAUNDA WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AND WOULD BE WELCOMED BY HIM AND GOVERNMENT OF ZAMBIA. AS FAR AS OCCASION FOR DELIVERY IS CONCERNED, WE DOUBT THERE WILL BE MASS FUNERAL FOR SOLDIERS KILLED AS IN BOTSWANA. WE DO NOT BELIEVE IT NECESSARY TO TIE CONDOLENCE MESSAGE TO ANY SPECIFIC OCCASION. SUCH A MESSAGE SHOULD BE DELIVERED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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